JOINT RESOLUTIONS

CHAPTER 348

TERMS OF PRESIDENTS OF UNITED STATES

S. J. R. 10

A JOINT RESOLUTION ratifying a proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States of America, relating to the term of office of the president.

WHEREAS, both Houses of the 80th Congress of the United States of America by constitutional majority of two-thirds thereof, made the following proposition to amend the constitution of the United States of America in the following words, to-wit:

"JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States relating to the terms of office of the President.

RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each house concurring therein), that the following Article is hereby proposed as an amendment to the constitution of the United States which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the constitution when ratified by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the several states:

"ARTICLE-

- SECTION 1. No person shall be elected to the office of the President more than twice, and no person who has held the office of President, or acted as President, for more than two years of a term, to which
- some other person was elected President, shall be elected to the office of the President more than once. But this Article shall not apply to any person holding the office of President when this Article was
- proposed by the Congress, and shall not prevent any person who may be holding the office of President, or acting as President during the 8
- term within which this Article becomes operative, from holding the office of President, or acting as President during the remainder of 10
- 11 such term.
 - This Article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the constitution by the Legislatures of
- three-fourths of the several states within 7 years from the date of its submission to the states by the Congress,"

THEREFORE.

Be It Resolved and Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Ratification. That the said proposed amendment to
- the constitution of the United States of America as set forth herein be and the same is hereby ratified and consented to by the State of
- 4 Iowa and by the General Assembly thereof.
- SEC. 2. Certification. Be it further resolved and enacted, that certified copies of this enactment and resolution be forwarded by

- the Governor of this state to the Secretary of State of the United States at Washington, D.C., and to the presiding officers of each house of the
- Congress of the United States.

Approved April 3, 1947.

I, Robert D. Blue, Governor of the state of Iowa, hereby certify that a copy of this Resolution has been forwarded to the Honorable George C. Marshall, Secretary of State of the United States, and to the Honorable Arthur H. Vandenberg, President of the United States Senate, and the Honorable Joseph W. Martin, Jr., Speaker of the House of Representatives of Congress.

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CHAPTER 349

SUCCESSION TO OFFICE OF GOVERNOR H. J. R. 1

A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to article IV of the constitution of the state of Iowa relating to the succession of the lieutenant governor to act as governor in the event of the death or disability of the governor, together with the succession of officers following the lieutenant governor to the office of governor.

Be It Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That Article IV, section 17 of the constitution of the state of Iowa be amended by adding thereto the following para-3 graph:

"In case of the death, resignation, failure to qualify, inability to qualify, or other disability of the candidate for Governor who received the largest number of votes at the last general election for the ensuing term, the powers and duties of the office of Governor for the ensuing term, or until the disability is removed, shall devolve upon the candidate for Lieutenant Governor who received the largest 9 10 number of votes at the last general election for the ensuing term, and he shall assume the powers and duties of Governor upon the 11 12 completion of the canvass of the votes for Governor and Lieutenant 13 Governor by the General Assembly."

Be It Further Resolved that Article IV, section 19 of the 2 constitution of the state of Iowa be amended by adding thereto the 3

following paragraph: 4 "If the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, President pro tem of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives are all by 5 reason of death, resignation or otherwise, incapable of performing the duties of the office of Governor, the members of the Executive Council of the state of Iowa shall immediately convene the General 7 Assembly of the state of Iowa by proclamation, and the General Assembly shall immediately elect a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, President pro tem of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall serve until their successors are elected 10

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13 and qualified."

SEC. 3. Be it further resolved that the foregoing proposed amendment be and the same is hereby referred to the General Assembly to be chosen at the next general election and that the Secretary of State cause the same to be published as provided by law.

Approved April 16, 1947.